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# In Memoriam.

# SARAH ZORN LEIBERT

was a daughter of the well known Moravian missionary, the late Jacob Zorn and his wife Caroline Siewers Zorn, and was born at Fairfield, Jamaica, British West Indies, on April 1, 1836.

Educated in the Moravian Seminary for Young Ladies, at Bethlehem, she began serving the Church as a teacher in Linden Hall Seminary, in 1855. Three years later she was married to the Rev. Eugene Leibert, with whom she labored in the congregations of Sharon, Ohio, and New Dorp, Staten Island, New York. Her great life-work was in connection with the Nazareth Hall Boarding School for Boys, where she served with her husband most acceptably for twenty-five years.

She departed this life on May 19, 1909, having sustained internal injuries in falling downstairs.

She became a member of the Historical Society in 1900.

#### JOSEPH ALEXANDER RICE

was the son of James A. and Josephine (Leibert) Rice, and was born on March 29, 1844, at Bethlehem, where his entire life was spent.

Having been educated at the Moravian Parochial School, he engaged in mercantile life, entering the employ of the firm Grider and Lerch. Later he became a member of the firm when it was reorganized as the Lerch and Rice Co., continuing with it until the termination of its affairs in 1907.

He was twice married, first to Miss Mary Stanhope Rondthaler, who departed this life on January 19, 1885, and in 1887, to Miss Emma J. Rondthaler.

He was deeply interested in many enterprises of the Moravian congregation at Bethlehem. As its representative, he served frequently in District and Provincial Synods. And he became closely identified with some of the greatest forward movements of our American Moravian Church. From the time of its organization in 1876, he was a member of the Board of Church

Extension of the Moravian Church in America, serving as a member thereof up to the time of his death, a period of thirty-three years. He was a member of the original Building Committee of the new Moravian College and Theological Seminary and made extended canvass of the Moravian congregations of the Northern and Southern Provinces to collect funds for the construction of new buildings. When this institution obtained its new charter, providing for laymen on the Board of Trustees, he was elected a member of the Board in 1893, and served as its Secretary until the time of his death. On these two boards he rendered most important service to the Moravian Church. He was also Vice-President of the Moravian Aid Society. For fully fifty years his life was consecrated to active service in behalf of the Moravian Church.

He became a member of the Historical Society in 1868 and succeeded Bishop Levering as President of the Society, in 1908. He departed this life October 8, 1909.

## WILLIAM TURNER

was born at Hope, N. J., in February, 1859, being the son of George D. and Doriana (Hight) Turner. He spent his youth at Hope, but later removed to Pen Argyl, Pa., where he opened a men's clothing store, which he conducted till 1904. While residing in Pen Argyl he was elected President of the First National Bank of that town. He was also President of the Phoenix Cement Co., of Nazareth, Pa. During his residence in Pen Argyl he interested himself in having the old Moravian cemetery at Hope, N. J., kept in good condition.

On March 6, 1895, he married Miss Agnes Martin, of Nazareth. In 1904 he moved to Bethlehem, and in March, 1905, united with the Moravian congregation at Bethlehem. In December, 1909, he was elected a member of the Moravian Parochial School Board. He died very suddenly of apoplexy on January 27, 1910.

He became a member of the Historical Society in 1906.

#### THE REV. EUGENE MARTIN LEIBERT

was born at Bethlehem, Penna., March 22, 1835. Having been educated at the Moravian Parochial School, at Nazareth Hall, and at the Moravian College and Theological Seminary, he be-

gan his labors for the Church as a teacher at Nazareth Hall in 1853.

Five years later he was ordained to the ministry, and on July 22, 1858, he was married to Miss Sarah M. Zorn. He served as pastor in the congregations at Sharon, Ohio, and New Dorp, Staten Island, New York. His great life-work consisted in serving as Principal of Nazareth Hall from 1867 to 1892, a period of twenty-five years. During these years this Academy prospered, and many hundreds of young men were here fitted for their life-work. These former pupils hold their Principal in affectionate remembrance and bear willing testimony to his superior endowments, which made him in many respects a natural leader of men.

During his principalship, he was elected a member of the Provincial Elders' Conference, on which Board he served from October, 1878, until February, 1886. While a member of this Governing Board of the Church, he also served as Provincial Treasurer, as Agent of Missions and had charge of various special Church Funds. All these positions he filled, not only faithfully, but with signal ability and success.

In 1892 he was compelled by failing health to retire from official position. He was not, however, entirely incapacitated, and his interest in the Church and its problems never waned during the years of retirement.

He was a charter member of the Historical Society. Ever since its inception, in 1857, he was deeply interested in its work and for many years served as one of its most efficient executive officers. He was Curator of the Ephrata Missionary Home at Nazareth for nearly forty years. He departed this life, May 3, 1910.

#### ELISHA P. WILBUR

was born January 3, 1833, at Mystic, Conn., being the son of Henry and Eveline (Packer) Wilbur. In 1838 he came with his parents to Pennsylvania. In the early years of his business activity he was associated in various ways with Asa Packer, President of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. He finally located permanently in South Bethlehem, and in various capacities he identified himself with the welfare of this growing town. He was its

Chief Burgess from 1869 to 1874, and its Borough Treasurer from 1878 to 1910. For many years he was a Trustee of Lehigh University and of St. Luke's Hospital. For a number of years he was President of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, relinquishing that position in 1898. In 1870 he organized the banking house of E. P. Wilbur & Co., which in 1887 was chartered as the E. P. Wilbur Trust Co. He was the President of this institution till his death. He was also an active member of the Episcopal Church of the Nativity, of South Bethlehem.

In 1858 he married Miss Stella Abbott. He died June 14, 1910, at Sport Island, one of the Thousand Islands, near Alexandria Bay, N. Y., where he was recuperating after an illness of two years.

He became a life member of the Historical Society, May 4, 1882.

#### SIMON RAU

was the eldest of ten children of Valentine and Elizabeth (Fenner) Rau, and was born in Hanover Township, in the neighborhood of Schoenersville, Lehigh Co., Pa., April 24, 1818. From 1825 to 1830 he attended the Moravian Parochial School at Bethlehem, Pa., and then entered the employ of Dr. Eberhard Freytag in the only drug store then existing in the town. This store had been managed as the property of the congregation from 1752 to 1790, first in the "Bell House," and then in the building at the corner of Main Street and Church Alley, successively by John Frederick Otto and John Matthew Otto. Dr. Eberhard Freytag took charge of this store in 1790, and in 1796 bought the stock from the Moravian congregation. Simon Rau in turn bought the stock from Dr. Freytag in 1839, and this drug store was the scene of his business activity for the rest of his life. As partners he successively associated with himself, his brother David Rau in 1849, his nephew Robert Rau in 1860, and his son Eugene A. Rau in 1870, the firm name being Simon Rau & Co. Since 1889 he was not in active connection with the firm.

He filled a number of responsible offices in the Moravian congregation at Bethlehem. He was President of the newly organized Young Men's Missionary Society in 1841. He was one of the organizers of the Bethlehem Home Missionary Society in 1849, and its Treasurer from 1862 to 1904. He was a member

of the Board of Elders from 1866 to 1902. He was President of the Widows' Society from 1872 to 1901. From 1857 to 1901 he was Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Almoners. He served several terms in Town Council, and in one way or another was in constant touch with many enterprises which have had to do with the upbuilding of the Bethlehems.

On May 22, 1842, he married Miss Lucy Ann Luckenbach, daughter of Abraham and Rosina (Heckewelder) Luckenbach. He died August 9, 1910.

Brother Rau became a life member of the Historical Society in 1868, and ever took an active interest in the affairs of the Society.

#### AUGUSTUS SYDNEY BISHOP

was born at Bethlehem, August 19, 1846. Having been educated in the Moravian Parochial School of his native place he went to Nazareth to learn the trade of tinsmith. Later he began business for himself in Bethlehem, continuing the same for thirty-five years, till the very day of his death. In 1870 he was married to Miss Caroline Elizabeth George.

He took a deep interest in the affairs of the Moravian Church. He represented the Bethlehem congregation at a number of Provincial Synods. In civic affairs he also took great interest. For twelve years he served as a member of Town Council, and he was a member of the School Board for several terms. He was likewise interested in the preservation of genealogical data and facts of local history.

He joined the Historical Society in 1888. He died suddenly, August 24, 1910.